

Lesson Overview

Learning Paths



Recommended
5th Grade



Length
50 - 100 Minutes

About This Lesson

In this lesson, students will identify types of education and training pathways to prepare for careers, match types of training with certain careers, and understand the importance of preparing for a job.

Learning Objectives

By the end of this activity, students will:

- Identify types of job training and education pathways
- Match types of training with certain careers
- Understand the importance of preparing for a job
- Interview someone they know about the learning path they took on the way to their career

Driving Question

What if someone tried to do a job without the proper training?

Future-Ready Skills

Career Awareness

Evaluating

Comparative Thinking

Lesson Breakdown

30-40
minutes

Mission: Learning Paths!

Direct students to complete **Mission: Learning Paths**, where they will explore the different education and training pathways that lead to various careers.

20-60
minutes

In-Real-Life Mission: Retrace a Path!

In this extension activity, students ask someone they know about the learning path they took to prepare for their career. They can use the handout to record their interview, or create a video or audio recording of their mission. They then upload the artifact to **Storyboard**, and reflect on what they learned.

View the Spanish handout on page 5: [¡Reconstruye un rumbo!](#)

Xello Entry Points

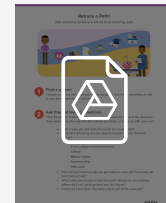
Students will like 3 careers before beginning **Mission: Learning Paths**. As part of the extension activity, students will upload their handout or interview to **Storyboard** and reflect on what they learned about the topic and themselves.

Vocabulary

- Job Shadow
- Career
- Training
- Trade
- Apprentice
- 2-Year College or Technical School
- Program
- Degree
- Military

Student Handouts

If you have a Google account, choose a version below to make a copy of the handout in your Google Drive. Edit the copy and share it with your students.



[Copy English handout](#)



[Copy Spanish handout](#)



Retrace a Path!

Ask someone to tell you about their learning path



1

Find a person

Choose someone with a job you're curious about. Ask if they are willing to talk to you about their path to that job.

2

Ask them at least 5 questions

Help the person retrace their learning path and discover some of the decisions they made along the way. Ask them these questions, or come up with your own:

- What is your job and what do you do on a typical day?
- What kind of training did you need to prepare you for the work you do?
 - **On-the-job training**
 - **2-year college or technical school**
 - **College**
 - **Military training**
 - **Apprenticeship**
 - **Other path**
- How did your training help you get ready for your job? How long did your training take?
- What made you decide to take that path? Would you do anything differently if you could go back and do it again?
- Could you have taken any other path to get to the same job?



Level-up option: Interview 2 people in a similar job. How were their paths alike? How were they different?



Report what you discovered

Type out your report on the activity sheet, or upload some photos, a video, or a sound recording to your Storyboard. Or do both! Be sure to add your thoughts about what you learned.

Retrace a Path!

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Who did you interview? _____

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2 What kind of training did you need to prepare for the work you do?

On-the-job training

2-year college or technical school

College

Military training

Apprenticeship

Other path _____

3 How did your training help you get ready for your job? How long did your training take?

4 What made you decide to take that path? Would you do anything differently if you could go back and do it again?

5 Could you have taken any other path to get to the same job?

Add your own questions:

¡Reconstruye un rumbo!

Pide a alguien que te cuente sobre su rumbo de aprendizaje



1

Encuentra una persona

Elige a alguien que tenga un trabajo por el que sientas curiosidad. Pregúntale si desea hablarte sobre el rumbo que tomó para llegar a tener su trabajo.

2

Hazle por lo menos 5 preguntas

Ayuda a la persona a reconstruir su rumbo de aprendizaje y descubrir algunas de las decisiones que tomó en el camino. Hazle estas preguntas o formula algunas tú mismo:

- ¿A qué te dedicas y que cómo es una jornada típica?
- ¿Qué clase de capacitación debiste hacer para tu trabajo?
 - **Capacitación práctica**
 - **Universidad con carreras de 2 años o escuela técnica**
 - **Universidad**
 - **Entrenamiento militar**
 - **Aprendizaje**
 - **Otro rumbo**
- ¿De qué manera tu capacitación te preparó para tu trabajo? ¿Cuánto tiempo llevó tu capacitación?
- ¿Qué te llevó a optar por ese rumbo? ¿Cambiarías algo si volvieras atrás e hicieras todo de nuevo?

- ¿Pudiste haber tomado otro rumbo para llegar a tener el mismo trabajo?



Opción para mejorar: Entrevista a 2 personas de una manera similar. ¿En qué se parecieron los rumbos que tomaron? ¿En qué se diferenciaron?



Notifica lo que descubriste

Escribe tu informe en la hoja de actividades o carga algunas fotos, un video o un sonido grabado en el Guión gráfico. ¡Puedes hacer todo! Asegúrate de agregar una reflexión sobre lo aprendido.

¡Reconstruye un rumbo!

Pide a alguien que te cuente sobre su rumbo de aprendizaje

¿Cómo hiciste la entrevista? _____

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- Universidad o escuela técnica con carreras de 2 años
- Universidad
- Entrenamiento militar
- Aprendizaje
- Otro rumbo _____

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Agrega preguntas propias: